

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An image processing apparatus comprising:
 - a display control section configured to simultaneously provide a thumbnail area, a comparison area and a collection area on a common display;
 - a reduced image display section configured to reduce the images displayed in the thumbnail area;
 - a first selection section configured to select two or more images from among the reduced images displayed in the reduced image display section;
 - a comparison image display section configured to display, in the comparison area, the two or more images selected by the first selection section;
 - a compare unit for selectively enlarging or reducing the images in the comparison area to set the two or more images to a proper size to facilitate comparison of the two or more images in the comparison area;
 - an image processing section configured to perform at least one image processing of reducing processing, enlarging processing, and moving processing on the two or more images displayed in the comparison image display section;
 - a second selection section configured to select an image from among the images displayed through the comparison image display section; and
 - an entry section configured to enter into the collection area, the image selected by the second selection section.

2. (Previously presented) The apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the image processing section is configured to perform the image processing so that the images are operatively interlocked with each other and undergo the same processing together.

Claims 3-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently amended) An image processing method comprising:
a first step of simultaneously displaying a thumbnail area, a comparison area and a collection area on a common display;
a second step of displaying reduced images in the thumbnail area;
a third step of selecting two or more images from among the reduced images displayed in the second step;
a fourth step of displaying the two or more images selected in the third step in the comparison area;
a fifth step of selectively enlarging or reducing the images in the comparison area to set the two or more images to a proper size to facilitate comparison of the two or more images in the comparison area;
a ~~fifth~~ sixth step of performing at least one image process of reducing, enlarging, and moving of the two or more images displayed in the fourth step;
a ~~sixth~~ seventh step of selecting an image from among the images subjected to image processing during the ~~fifth~~ sixth step; and
a ~~seventh~~ an eighth step of entering one of the images displayed in the comparison area into the collection area.

Claims 8-29. (Cancelled)

30. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 7, wherein the ~~fifth~~ sixth step is configured to perform image processing so that the images in the comparison area are interlocked and undergo the same processing together.